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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6824 NOTE PREPARED: Feb 4, 2014 BILL NUMBER: SB 376 BILL AMENDED: Feb 3, 2014

SUBJECT: Study of Education for IDEM Employees.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Glick BILL STATUS: As Passed Senate

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Wolkins

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill urges the Legislative Council to assign to the appropriate committee for the 2014 interim period the task of studying whether an employee of the Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) whose duties relate to certain solid waste matters should be required to complete an educational program provided by the Solid Waste Association of North America.

Effective Date: (Amended) Upon passage.

<u>Explanation of State Expenditures:</u> (Revised) <u>Summary</u> - The bill urges the Legislative Council to assign a topic to an appropriate committee for study during the 2014 interim. If a committee designated by the Legislative Council were to hold additional meetings to address the topic within the bill, there would be additional expenditures for legislator per diem and travel reimbursement for the committee members. Any additional expenditures must be within the committee's budget, which is established by the Legislative Council.

Interim study committees operate on budgets established by the Legislative Council based on committee size. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study committees in the amount of \$9,500 per interim for committees with fewer than 16 members and \$16,500 for committees with 16 members or more.

(Revised) <u>Additional Information</u> - The proposed topic for study by an interim committee would be whether an individual employed by IDEM should be required to complete an educational program provided by the Solid Waste Association of North America if their duties relate to permits or registrations involving:

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- (1) advanced leachate management and bioreactor landfills;
- (2) composting programs;
- (3) construction and demolition management;
- (4) household hazardous waste and conditionally exempt small quantity generator collection facility operations;
- (5) integrated solid waste systems management;
- (6) landfill operations;
- (7) recycling systems;
- (8) solid waste collection systems; or
- (9) transfer stations.

If the topic is assigned to a study committee by the Legislative Council, a final report containing the committee's findings and recommendations, if any, would be required no later than November 1, 2014.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Legislative Council.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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